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July 25, 2000

Mr. Don Ostler, P.E. Director Utah Division of Water Quality 288 North 1460 West P.O. Box 144870 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870

Via Courier

RE:

Pregnant Pond Liner Repair and Test Certification - North Lily Mining Company, Silver

Peak Facility

Dear Mr. Ostler:

Enclosed please find one copy of a packet, prepared by Rainy Day Water, Inc., containing the subject certification. These materials were delivered to JBR on July 24. We apologize for the delay in submitting these materials. The liner repair work on the pregnant pond was performed by Rainy Day Water, a subcontractor to JBR, on Saturday, July 1. Included in the packet are the following: the Air Pressure Test Certification; a summary of the air pressure (air lancing) test procedure; Rainy Day Water's daily work report; and a series of color photographs documenting the work done and the pregnant pond liner condition on the day of the repairs.

The subcontractor has not provided a certification for the vacuum tests as we have requested. Mr. Shubert observed the vacuum testing on July 1 and the attached photographic documentation references vacuum testing. If the air lance test certification is not sufficient documentation of the liner repairs, then please respond to the undersigned and we will request that a supplementary certificate be issued. We did not want to further delay this submittal by requesting and waiting for this additional documentation to be provided.

Please direct any questions you may have regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Baver Vice President

cc:

Dennis Frederick, DWQ (w/attachment)

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Air Pressure Test Certification

Customer: J.B.R Environmental Consultants / Lily Mine

Project: North Lily Mine

Basin/s: Pregnant Solution Pond

I/We Michael D. Willey of Rainy Day Water, Inc. 2460 S. 3200 W. Ste. 7 West Valley City, UT. Do hereby certify that all solvent weld repairs on the Pregnant Solution Pond at the North Lily Mine, Eureka, Nevada were preformed and tested as per Manufacturer Recommendation on the 1st. Day of July 2000.

Date: 7-21-2000

R.D.W. Representative Michael D. Willey

Position: Owner / VP - Secretary

Signature: Michael D. Willey



RECOMMENDED FIELD PRACTICES FOR

INSTALLING BURKE FLEXIBLE MEMBRANE LINERS

- 1. Position panels according to the layout drawing observing the unroll instructions on the protective cover. Do not remove this cover until ready to deploy the panel.
- 2. Deploy only the panels that will be field-seamed during that workday. Sandbag the edges to prevent wind pickup and to resist shrinkage in the hot sunlight. Complete deployment and sandbagging of each panel before uncovering the next. Do not leave a partially deployed panel exposed to the sun.
- 3. Deploy the day's panels when there is little or no wind to lift or whip the material. Do not deploy panels stiff from the cold, as cracking at the folds may occur. Minimum temperature for deployment will vary according to the material. Consult Burke when panel deployment will take place when the material temperature is below 40°.

NOTE: The cold bend or brittleness temperatures listed in the product specifications are not indicative of material performance in deploying panels. These tests are based on a short-term cold exposure, and are meant only to characterize the material under a uniform test procedure.

- 4. Proceed with field seaming, using the recommended procedures for the material involved including prewash, if needed. Samples of field seams should be taken for testing against bonded seams strength requirements. As a minimum, at least one random sample of each seaming crew's seams should be taken each working day; greater sampling frequency gives greater assurance of acceptability of seam quality.
- 5. Every field seams should be inspected and tested non-destructively along its entire length at the end of the day's seaming. Various methods, techniques and equipment may be specified by the quality control inspector. Burke recommends the use of an "Air Lance" as a simple but reliable means of seam testing. All Burke factory seams are "Air Lanced" prior to shipment of finished panels. A brief description of the test procedure follows:

AIR LANCING OF SEAMS

A source of compressed air (40-60 psi) is needed - flow rates are minimal. A wind of pipe five feet long is used with a hose connection to the compressor at one end and a 90 ° ell with an orifice tapering to 3/16" at the other. Holding the wand at approximately a 45 ° angle, with the 3/16" nozzle tip parallel to the ground, the operator walks the seam at a normal pace. The 3/16" nozzle is held near the ground within an inch oF the edge of the top flap, pointing at the edge so that the compressed air will blow a bubble under any unbonded edges. The results are both visual and audible. The material will flutter and a "Bronx Cheer" will be heard wherever there is a loose, unbonded edge in the seam.

6. The combination of field seam samples, tested against bonded seam requirements, and the non-destructive 100% seam "Air Lance" testing, are needed to assure field seam integrity and reliability. Repairs of unbonded or low-bond areas are covered in the appropriate field seaming bulletin for the Burke liner material being installed.

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Daily Status and Time Record

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POND OVERVIEW

From S.E. corner looking N.W.



From office trailer looking S.E.



Four Major Repairs

#1 30' From N.E. Corner #2 18' From N.E. Corner #3 In N.E. Corner



#4 In S.E.



Repair # 1 30' from N.E. Corner Nth Slope



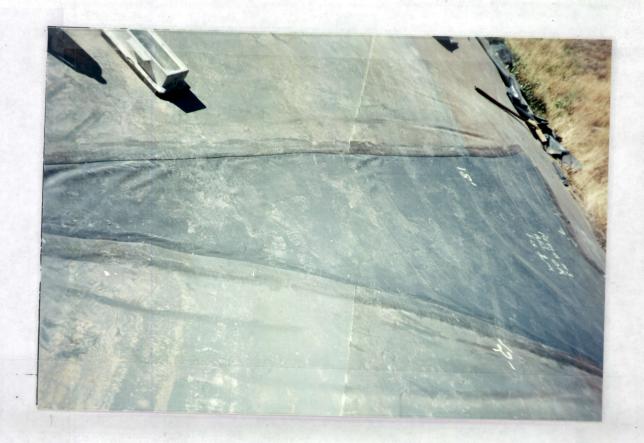
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Repair # 3 Located In to just 5th of N.E. Corner





Repair # 4 Located In the S.E. Corner

Air Lance Test 60 PSI through 1/8" Orifice Note Air Lance shows leak path and all nonbonded areas



Vacuum Test



Repair on East Slope 50' from N.E. Corner





